

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | : | <b><u>FINAL ORDER OF</u></b> |
|                          | : | <b><u>FORFEITURE</u></b>     |
| -v.-                     | : |                              |
|                          | : | 16 Cr. 644 (SHS)             |
| JESUS RODRIGUEZ-JIMENEZ, | : |                              |
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| Defendant.               | : |                              |
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WHEREAS, on or about July 5, 2016, pursuant to a federal seizure warrant, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration seized for forfeiture one Piper fixed wing single-engine aircraft, bearing tail number N188JV, Model Number: PA-46-21 500TP; Serial Number: 4697235; Plate Number: 003319; Piper Part Number: 100697-3 (the "Seized Property");

WHEREAS, or about April 21, 2017, the Court entered a Stipulation and Order (the "April Order") (D.E. 75), which settled competing claims of JESUS RODRIGUEZ-JIMENEZ (the "Defendant") and a potential third-party claimant ("Potential Claimant") to the Seized Property, and in which the Potential Claimant agreed to pay to the United States \$555,143.98 in United States currency in lieu of forfeiture, and for release, of the Seized Property (the "Substitute Res");

WHEREAS, on or about January 2, 2018, the Potential Claimant paid the Substitute Res to the United States, and said payment is currently held in the Seized Asset Deposit Fund of the United States Marshals Service;

WHEREAS, on or about August 14, 2018, this Court entered a Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property/Money Judgment (the "Preliminary Order of Forfeiture") (D.E. 137), which ordered the forfeiture to the United States of all right, title and

interest of the Defendant in the Substitute Res, and specifically, any and all funds provided as a substitute res for the Seized Property pursuant to the April Order (the “Specific Property”);

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Order of Forfeiture directed the United States to publish, for at least thirty (30) consecutive days, notice of the Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, notice of the United States' intent to dispose of the Specific Property, and the requirement that any person asserting a legal interest in the Specific Property must file a petition with the Court in accordance with the requirements of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 853(n)(2) and (3). The Preliminary Order of Forfeiture further stated that the United States could, to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person known to have an alleged interest in the Specific Property and as a substitute for published notice as to those persons so notified;

WHEREAS, the provisions of Title 21, United State Code, Section 853(n)(1), Rule 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and Rules G(4)(a)(iv)(C) and G(5)(a)(ii) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, require publication of a notice of forfeiture and of the Government's intent to dispose of the Specific Property before the United States can have clear title to the Specific Property;

WHEREAS, the Notice of Forfeiture and the intent of the United States to dispose of the Specific Property was posted on an official government internet site ([www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov)) beginning on August 17, 2018, for thirty (30) consecutive days, through September 15, 2018, pursuant to Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty and Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions and proof of such publication was filed with the Clerk of the Court on September 2, 2022 (D.E. 223);

WHEREAS, thirty (30) days have expired since final publication of the Notice of Forfeiture and no petitions or claims to contest the forfeiture of the Specific Property have been filed;

WHEREAS, the Defendant is the only person and/or entity known by the Government to have a potential interest in the Specific Property;

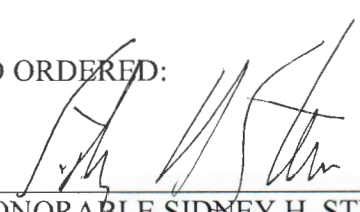
WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(7), the United States shall have clear title to any forfeited property if no petitions for a hearing to contest the forfeiture have been filed within thirty (30) days of final publication of notice of forfeiture as set forth in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(2);

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

1. All right, title and interest in the Specific Property is hereby forfeited and vested in the United States of America, and shall be disposed of according to law.
2. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(7) the United States of America shall and is hereby deemed to have clear title to the Specific Property.
3. The United States Marshals Service (or its designee) shall take possession of the Specific Property and dispose of the same according to law, in accordance with Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(h).

Dated: New York, New York  
September 2, 2022

SO ORDERED:



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HONORABLE SIDNEY H. STEIN  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE